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- 1. The railroad stations of Wollank-Strasse in the French Sector of Berlin and Pankow-Schoenhausen in the Soviet Sector of Berlin are considered the most important transloading stations in Berlin for illegal East-West trade. It is said that these stations handle the greatest number of illegal deliveries to the Soviet Zone of Germany.
- 2. The railroad shipping documents for deliveries destined for the Soviet Zone are made out to firms in West-Berlin. However, when they arrive at the Wollank railroad station, they are loaded on cars which, at convenient moments, are attached to trains destined for the Soviet Zone of Germany.

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Comment. The two stations mentioned are located in the northern part of Berlin. The railroad station of Wollank-Strasse is on the line Berlin-Oranienburg while the Pankow-Schoenhausen railroad station is on the line to Bernau. The alleged role of these two stations in illegal East-West trading activities has not been confirmed by other sources.

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